## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2726 ANSWERED ON:10.08.2010 PRODUCTION OF MANGOES Yadav Shri Ranjan Prasad

## Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of mangoes production in the country alongwith its ranking in the world during the last three years and the current year, State-wise, rank-wise and year-wise; and
- (b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to assist the mango growers in the country?

## **Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

- (a): India is the largest producer of mangoes in the world. Details of mangoes production in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise, rank-wise and year-wise is given at Annexure.
- (b): The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is implementing two Centrally Sponsored Schemes viz. Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH) and National Horticulture Mission (NHM) in remaining States and Union Territories for the holistic development of Horticulture. Under both Schemes, farmers are given financial assistance for cultivation of mango with normal spacing @ Rs. 30,000/- per ha limited to 4 ha per beneficiary. However, for high density planting of mango, assistance is given @ Rs. 40,000/- per ha under NHM and @ Rs. 60,000/- per ha under HMNEH, limited to 4 ha per beneficiary. Besides, under both schemes assistance is also provided for establishment of nurseries, rejuvenation of old & senile plantation, integrated nutrient management /integrated pest management, adoption of organic farming and creation of water sources for the development of horticulture including mango.

National Horticulture Board is also implementing a Scheme on `Development of Commercial Horticulture through Production and Post Harvest Management`. Mango is covered under NHB Scheme. Under NHB Scheme, project having more than 4 ha are considered and financial assistance is provided in the form of credit linked back ended subsidy @ 20% of the total cost limited to Rs. 25 lakh per project in general area and Rs.30 lakh per project in North East region, Hilly area and Scheduled area.